Historic Germantown Walking Tour

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.....walked these streets, fulfilled their duties and worked for their dreams. Come discover Germantown through the stories of these people.

Tour the historic Market Square neighborhood with your own guide. Visit three local treasures including the Germantown "White House", summer home to President Washington and his family over 200 years ago!





The Germantown Historical Society Museum 5501 Germantown Avenue



Discover why German settlers gambled to begin new lives here. Envision the town's growth as a popular summer resort for the wealthy. Learn why both the British and American generals fought for control of this town.



Grumblethorpe 5267 Germantown Avenue

Imagine the Wister family's conflict as their beloved country house became a refuge in war and epidemic. Initially the headquarters of British General Agnew during the revolutionary war, this house later became a family haven during the yellow fever epidemic of the 1790's.



The Deshler-Morris House
(The Germantown "White House")
5442 Germantown Avenue

Visit the headquarters for British forces under Sir William Howe during the Battle of Germantown. Learn why this later became the summer home, office and family retreat of President Washington. Hear how business of the new republic continued in this stately mansion. Glimpse into the private world of this very public man.

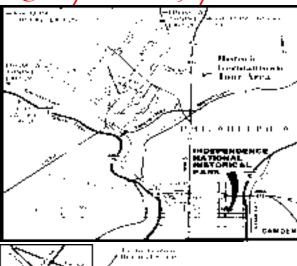




"I have taken a house in Germantown"

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Group Tour Information



*Group tours are available seven days a week, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. by reservation only (March-December). Group minimum is 10.

*Cost \$10.00 per person. Includes group guide and admission to the Germantown Historical Society Museum, Grumblethorpe, and Deshler-Morris House.

*Package includes special discounts to area shops and restaurants. Group restaurant reservations are also available with advance notice.

*Bus parking is available at both neighborhood locations.

For more information or reservations contact:
Germans, Generals, & Gentlemen
c/o The Germantown Historical Society
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Chestnut Hill



With country village charm but still within the city, Chestnut Hill is one of Philadelphia's most desirable neighborhoods. Over 160 unique shops and restaurants line old Germantown Avenue. All of this in an enchanting setting of historic buildings, walkable streets with benches and notable gardens!

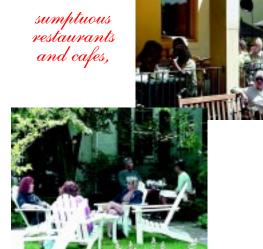


Chestnut Hill has been designated a National Historic District.

Discover Chestnut Hill and its...



one-of-a kind shops,





and old village charm!



The following organizations are proud to offer you many reasons to spend a wonderful day on Germantown Avenue:



U.S. Department of the Interior, The National Park Service; Independence National Historical Park (Deshler-Morris House)

- * The Germantown Historical Society
- The Philadelphia Society for the Preservation of Landmarks (Grumblethorpe)
- * Deshler-Morris House Committee, Inc.
- * The Chestnut Hill Business Association
- * Historic Germantown Preserved

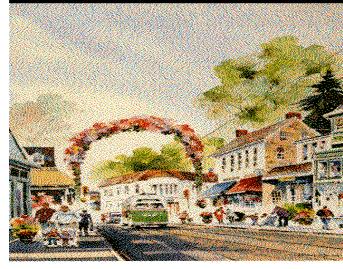


The street scenes with trolleys were done by Chestnut Hill artist, Howard Watson.

Photos of Chestnut Hill courtesy of the National Park Service.

Great day trip tour package to Chiladelphia!

GERMANTOWN & CHESTNUT HILL GROUP TOURS



Enjoy a guided tour of three significant historic sites in Germantown!

Explore over 160 shops and restaurants in beautiful Chestnut Hill!

Experience two nationally famous old Philadelphia neighborhoods!